GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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SUGGESTION ON VIOLENCE IN POLICE CUSTODY
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Police Academy, Law Commission, National Human Rights Commission and Amnesty International have given certain suggestions/recommendations to the Government to check violence in police custody; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL)

(a) & (b) : Various recommendations have been made from time to time by various Commissions such as the National Police Commission, the Law Commission and the National Human Rights Commission to check custodial violence/deaths.

The National Human Rights Commission has issued guidelines to all State Governments/Union Territories to inform the Commission of incidents of custodial deaths and custodial rapes within 24 hours of its occurrence. The Commission also recommends disciplinary/departmental action as well as initiation of prosecution against the delinquent police/jail authorities in case where prima-facie case of custodial violence is established. Further the Commission also recommends monetary compensation by way of immediate interim relief to the next of kin of the deceased.